

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended.

The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 2-5 is noted with appreciation.

In order to expedite the issuance of Claims 2-5, Claim 1 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and Claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form, with slight modification of the language incorporated from Claim 1.

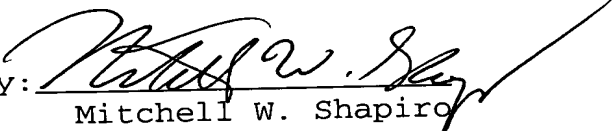
A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to acknowledge receipt of the certified copy of the priority document filed November 26, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this

paper and has not been requested separately, such extension
is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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